

QUARANTINE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORTATION OF ANIMALS OR ANIMAL PRODUCTS INTO THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Appendix 22

Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Live Fish and Their Sperms and Eggs

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(In case of any discrepancy between the English version and the Chinese text of these Requirements, the Chinese text shall govern.)

1. The importation of live trout/salmon, perch, catfish, carp and their sperms and eggs shall be accompanied with an original copy of official health certificate issued by the competent authority of the exporting country, and stating in English the followings:

(1) The place of production:

- i. Exporting country
- ii. Name of the competent authority of the exporting country
- iii. Name of province or area the products come from

(2) Product identification:

- i. Variety of the products
- ii. Area of catch or name and address of the aquaculture establishment
- iii. Latin name and common name of the fish species
- iv. Age of the fish
- v. Total weight (in kg) or number (in thousand) of the products

(3) Destination of export:

- i. Destination country
- ii. Name and address of aquaculture establishment or consignee

(4) Declaration of epidemiological information:

- i. The live fish, their sperms or eggs have been inspected and found healthy and free from clinical evidence of any communicable disease.
- ii. The live fish, their sperms or eggs originate from zone or aquaculture

establishment where high mortality of unknown etiology has not occurred during the previous three months and meet either of the following conditions:

- (i) the establishment of origin has been subjected to an official fish health surveillance scheme according to the procedures described in the Manual of Diagnostic Tests for Aquatic Animals of the Office International des Epizooties (hereafter referred to as the OIE Aquatic Manual) and is certified that the establishment is free from the diseases listed in the attached table of the Requirements for at least the previous two years; or
- (ii) prior to export, the live fish, their sperms or eggs have been subjected to testing with negative results for diseases listed in the attached table of the Requirements using the methods described in the OIE Aquatic Manual. If the test method of any disease is not designated in the OIE Aquatic Manual, test methods of the disease which have been published in international science journals shall be used (the test method, result and date shall be stated)

2. The live fish, their sperms or eggs shall be transported pursuant to Article 1.5.1 of International Aquatic Animal Health Code of the Office International des Epizooties (hereafter referred to as the OIE Aquatic Code) about such as packaging, transportation and disinfection.
3. The format of the aforementioned official health certificate should be drawn up in reference to the model certificate for live fish and gametes of the OIE Aquatic Code.
4. The official health certificate must be issued by the export country no more than three days prior to shipment.

Attached table

Species and the diseases of fish subject to quarantine inspection for importation of live fish and their sperms and eggs

| Species of fish | Disease (pathogen) |
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| Trout/Salmon | Viral hemorrhagic septicemia (Viral hemorrhagic septicemia virus) Infectious hematopoietic necrosis (Infectious hematopoietic necrosis virus) Salmonid herpesvirus type 2 disease (Salmonid herpesvirus type 2) Infectious pancreatic necrosis (Infectious pancreatic necrosis virus) Bacterial kidney disease (<i>Renibacterium salmoninarum</i>) |
| Perch | Epizootic hematopoietic necrosis (Epizootic hematopoietic necrosis virus) |
| Catfish | Channel catfish virus disease (herpesvirus of <i>Ictaluridae</i> type 1) Enteric septicaemia of catfish (<i>Edwardsiella ictaluri</i>) |
| Carp | Spring viremia of carp (Spring viremia of carp virus) Koi herpesvirus disease (Koi herpesvirus) |